

**Whatcom County**  
**Youth & Tobacco Data Summary**  
**6TH GRADE**  
Year 2000

		<b>County %</b>	<b>State %</b>
<b>6th Grade Students Surveyed as part of County Sample</b>		100.0 %	100.0 %
<b>n= 853</b>			
<b>Gender</b>			
Female		48.8 %	50.0 %
Male		51.2 %	50.0 %
<b>Race/Ethnicity</b>			
Students of Color		23.7 %	30.9 %
White		76.3 %	69.1 %
		<b>County %+/- Margin of Error</b>	<b>State %+/- Margin of Error</b>
<b>Youth who have smoked a whole cigarette at least once in their lifetime</b>			
Female	n= 390	6.4 %+/- 2.4	7.1 %+/- 1.4
Male	n= 401	8.0 %+/- 2.7	7.4 %+/- 1.5
<b>Total</b>	<b>n= 791</b>	<b>7.1 %+/- 1.8</b>	<b>7.2 %+/- 1.0</b>
<b>Past 30 days, youth who have smoked cigarettes at least once</b>			
Female	n= 409	2.7 %+/- 1.6	3.9 %+/- 1.0
Male	n= 428	2.8 %+/- 1.6	4.1 %+/- 1.1
<b>Total</b>	<b>n= 837</b>	<b>2.7 %+/- 1.1</b>	<b>4.0 %+/- 0.7</b>
<b>Youth who have used smokeless tobacco (chewing tobacco, snuff or dip) at least once in their lifetime</b>			
Female	n= 391	1.0 %+/- 1.0	2.0 %+/- 0.7
Male	n= 406	4.2 %+/- 1.9	1.6 %+/- 0.7
<b>Total</b>	<b>n= 797</b>	<b>2.6 %+/- 1.1</b>	<b>%+/- 0.5</b>
<b>Past 30 days, youth who have used smokeless tobacco (chewing tobacco, snuff or dip) at least once</b>			
Female	n= 410	1.0 %+/- 1.0	0.4 %+/- 0.2
Male	n= 419	1.4 %+/- 1.1	1.2 %+/- 0.6
<b>Total</b>	<b>n= 829</b>	<b>1.2 %+/- 0.7</b>	<b>0.8 %+/- 0.3</b>
<b>Past 30 days, youth who have smoked cigarettes OR used smokeless tobacco at least once</b>			
Female	n= 408	3.7 %+/- 1.8	4.0 %+/- 1.0
Male	n= 420	3.6 %+/- 1.8	4.8 %+/- 1.2
<b>Total</b>	<b>n= 828</b>	<b>3.6 %+/- 1.3</b>	<b>4.4 %+/- 0.8</b>

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	<b>County %+/- Margin of Error</b>	<b>State %+/- Margin of Error</b>
<b>Do you think you will smoke a cigarette at any time during the next year?</b>	n= 844	
Definitely no	84.1 %+/- 2.5	83.3 %+/- 1.4
<b>If one of your best friends offered you a cigarette, would you smoke it?</b>	n= 841	
Definitely no	84.3 %+/- 2.5	85.5 %+/- 1.3
<b>Susceptibility Index (combination of the previous two questions, either of which receives any answer other than 'Definitely no')</b>	n= 844	
Susceptible	21.6 %+/- 2.8	20.1 %+/- 1.5
<b>If one of your best friends offered you a cigarette, would you smoke it? (from among youth who did not smoke in last 30 days)</b>	n= 813	
Definitely no	85.6 %+/- 2.4	88.1 %+/- 1.2
<b>Do you think the smoke from other people's cigarettes (second-hand smoke) is harmful to you?</b>	n= 841	
Definitely yes or Probably yes	88.9 %+/- 2.1	86.5 %+/- 1.3
<b>Would you ever use or wear something that has a tobacco company name or picture on it such as a lighter, t-shirt, hat, or sunglasses?</b>	n= 839	
Definitely no	59.6 %+/- 3.3	62.6 %+/- 1.9
<b>During past 7 days, on how many days were you in the same room with someone who was smoking cigarettes?</b>	n= 627	
3 or more days	23.9 %+/- 3.3	24.4 %+/- 3.0
<b>During this school year, did you practice ways to say 'NO' to tobacco in any of your classes (for example, by role playing)?</b>	n= 835	
Yes	68.3 %+/- 3.2	69.7 %+/- 1.8
<b>How wrong would most adults in your neighborhood think it was for kids your age to smoke cigarettes?</b>	n= 837	
Very wrong	77.8 %+/- 2.8	74.6 %+/- 1.7
<b>If you wanted to get some tobacco, how easy would it be for you to get some?</b>	n= 825	
Very hard or Sort of hard	77.7 %+/- 2.8	77.8 %+/- 1.6
<b>Has either of your parents (or guardians) discussed the dangers of tobacco use with you?</b>	n= 820	
Yes	77.7 %+/- 2.9	77.8 %+/- 1.6